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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56 and §§1.97-1.98,

Applicants hereby bring to the attention of the Examiner the following information.

The following documents were cited in an International Search Report with respect to International Patent Application No. PCT/JP2004/019269, of which the above-captioned application is the U.S. National Stage Application. Copies of the International Search Report (in English and Japanese) have been filed concurrently with the present application and should thus have already been brought to the attention of the Examiner:

(1) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2001-223534, together with an English language translation thereof;

- (2) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2003-008384, together with an English language Abstract of the same, and patent family member U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0149445 to CHAWLA et al., which was published on October 17, 2002; and
- (3) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. HEI 9-214276, together with an English language translation thereof.

The relevance of these documents, as ascertained with respect to the international claims by the International Examiner, is set forth in the International Search Report.

Applicants further submit the following documents:

- (4) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 2003-069345, together with an English language translation thereof. Applicants note that this document is cited beginning at page 1 of the specification of the above-captioned application; and
- (5) COHN et al., "Harmonic Mixing with an Antiparallel Diode Pair," IEEE Transaction on Microwave Theory and Techniques, August 1975, vol. MTT-23, No. 8, pages 667-673. Applicants note that this document is cited beginning at page 1 of the specification of the above-captioned application.

Further to 37 C.F.R. §1.98 (a)(2)(ii), copies of the U.S. patent publication is not enclosed herewith. However, if a copy is needed, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned.

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Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the above material and cite the same. Copies of the above-noted foreign and international documents, including the noted English language Abstract and translations, are attached hereto, and all of the documents are listed on an attached PTO-1449 Form. The Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached Form and to return a copy of the completed Form to Applicants with the next official communication in the present application.

Applicants note that an Office Action on the merits has not issued in the present application, and thus, no fee is believed necessary to ensure consideration of the submitted material.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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